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Recording:

<https://stanford.zoom.us/recording/share/ySnDh2TvdGCULewzULO1midegS36vFzSTsBTr-Ad8mmwlumekTziMw?startTime=1566920792000>

Attendance (if this is your first meeting, please write your name, Wiki* username, institution or affiliation, and interest in Wikidata if you'd care to share)

- Adam Cohen (UAL) (LinkedLibrarian)
- Meg Wacha / City University of New York (CUNY) and Wikimedia New York City
- Paul Burley / Northwestern University
- David Bietila (UChicago)
- Robert Fernandez (Prince George's Community College and Wikimedia District of Columbia)
- Sarah Osborne Bender (National Gallery of Art, D.C.)
- Meghan Lyon (Student: Pratt Institute, [Semantic Lab](#); User:Super Bug V)
- Martin Poulter (Bodleian Libraries, UK)
- Jordan Patterson (Memorial University of Newfoundland)
- Lena Denis (Harvard Map Collection)
- Cliff Landis (Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library, [@clifflandis](#))
- Matt Miller (Library of Congress)
- Christine DeZelar-Tiedman, Stephen Hearn, University of Minnesota
- Karen Smith-Yoshimura (OCLC Research)
- Ryan Mendenhall, Alex Whelan (Columbia University ; TrMendenhall, TrocheeTrochee)
- John Riemer (UCLA)
- Ruth Tillman (Penn State)
- Greta de Groat (Stanford ; user (Silentdivas))
- Huda Khan (Cornell)
- Will Kent (Wiki Education; Will (Wiki Ed))
- Sarah Kasten (University of Notre Dame)
- Sarah Potvin (Texas A&M University) - [Efferves](#) - first meeting, generally interested in learning more
- Diane Shaw, (Smithsonian Libraries; wiki user: Uncommon_fritillary)
- Jackie Shieh (Smithsonian)

- Honor Moody, harvard Library
- Karen Hwang
- Lori Robare (University of Oregon)
- Jenn Colt, Cornell
- Amber Billey (Bard) @amberbilley
- David Bigwood (Lunar and Planetary Institute - Dbigwood)
- Lihong Zhu (Washington State University)
- Susan Radovsky, Harvard Library
- Julia Bourbois (Claremont Heritage; JBourbois)

Agenda

- Announcements
 - Save the date for the [2020 LD4 Conference on Linked Data for Libraries](#), May 13-14, 2020 at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, USA; [applications](#) to participate in the program committee are open
 - Metadata2020 initiative worked on a journal article, “A literature review of scholarly communications metadata,” <https://riojournal.com/article/38698/>; interested in feedback; can send it to christopher.erdmann@ucop.edu
 - LD4 Ethics in Linked Data call scheduled for today 27 August 11 am PT / 12 pm MT / 1 pm CT / 2 pm ET
 - Topic: Discuss Code of Ethics Area of Interest - Privacy, Safety, & Well Being
 - Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/919279968>
 - Agenda: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LJA3Vo5CxY8QaR0GcnQBWRUsa9zLrXn7ysNuyvfaTf8/edit?usp=sharing>
 - Open to all
- Wikimania Recap
 - Wikimania 2019 links
 - [Wikimania 2019 program](#)
 - [Wikidata related sessions](#)
 - [Library related sessions](#)
 - [Etherpad links for all sessions](#)
 - [Intro to Wikimania](#) (Megan Wacha, also Head of Wikimedia NYC)
 - Annual conference of the Wikimedia movement
 - Dates to Foundation list-serv, Wikimedians decided to get together for an actual conference. First location: Frankfurt, Germany, 2005. All previous materials available. Volunteer-run project, modest budget from Foundation.

- Held in Stockholm, Sweden this year, hosted by local group. In addition to regular sessions, “culture crawl” of local cultural institutions. Theme: “Stronger Together: Wikimedia, Open Knowledge and [the Sustainable Development Goals](#)”, with focused conference tracks. Question: where do we (Wikimedia community) want to be by the year 2030?
- Strategic direction: [“By 2030, Wikimedia will become the essential infrastructure of the ecosystem of free knowledge, and anyone who shares our vision will be able to join us.”](#)
- Changes for Wikimedia movement: 9 working groups. Roles & Responsibilities, Revenue Streams, etc. [Draft recommendations](#)
- Follow-up meeting: Wikidata for National Libraries meeting. Discussed [...? not sure how to summarize this point]
- Q: Will we discuss Wikidata for National Libraries in the future? Yes.

Working Groups

Roles & Responsibilities	Revenue Streams	Resource Allocation
Partnerships	Community Health	Product & Technology
Capacity Building	Diversity	Advocacy

- Honor Moody (Harvard)
 - First Wikimania conference; numerous sessions and tracks to attend.
 - Led workshop: Converting MARC and EAD Creator Descriptions to Wikidata
https://wikimania.wikimedia.org/wiki/2019:Libraries/Converting_MARC_and_EAD_Creator_Descriptions_to_Wikidata, included using authority data from MARC 670/545 to extract statements about creators for archival collections.
 - Folks were generally interested in whole EAD finding aid conversion. OpenRefine is probably not best tool for this.
 - Similar presentation: [Alicia Fagerving](#) / National Library of Sweden. Title: From a messy spreadsheet to Wikidata: start mass data uploads with OpenRefine
https://wikimania.wikimedia.org/wiki/2019:GLAM/From_a_messy_spreadsheet_to_Wikidata:_start_mass_data_uploads_with_OpenRefine
 Similar conceptually to Honor’s presentation.
 - Honor: appreciated working with broader non-library community.

- Another take-away: more consensus on federated Wikibases in more collective format.
- Meet-ups, initiatives, and sessions (Hilary Thorsen)
 - [Wikidata Pink Pony Meet-up](#)
 - Link: in Etherpad link. General idea: session to share any wish you have for Wikidata. No guarantee that anything will come to fruition.
 - Someone shared Cradle tool:
<https://tools.wmflabs.org/wikidata-todo/cradle/#/> (form based on type of item you want to create, suggests properties, etc.).
 - Paul: have we demonstrated Cradle yet? No.
 - Q: is this an application profile for materials? Yes.
 - Other suggestions at Pink Pony Meet-up: pop-up help while creating items. Constraints report for QuickStatements.
 Question of should there be different watch lists for project pages.
 - [Wikibase Meet-up](#)
 - Notes are linked:
 - Most urgent wishes for Wikibase: import tools and federated Wikibases. Currently: blank slate. Wikibase has not been focus of Wikimedia resources. Federated Wikibases mentioned again at this meet-up. Hilary would like an in-depth discussion of the topic at a future Affinity Group meeting.
 - Q: Who else here have implemented Mediawiki/Wikibase? [no responses]
 - Comment: I think this also speaks to some of the larger issues re: infrastructure of Wikimedia movement.
 - [Wikimedia Foundation and Wikimedia Sweden Initiative Concerning GLAM communities of practice](#)
 - Wikimedia Sweden active with GLAM communities.
 - Meg: Spoke about staffing, funding, Wikimedia Deutschland.
 Link: <https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wikidata/Strategy/2019>
 - Hilary: technical infrastructure & related tools are hard to find, lack of documentation. Coming years: prioritize these areas.
 - [Wikimedia Deutschland Data Partnerships](#)
 - Wikimedia Deutschland has entered in partnership with DNB and smaller institutions. Discussion included different scenarios with data donations, linking to data, enriching data, how to work with Wikimedia Deutschland. Wikimedia Deutschland looking for feedback on partnership model.
 - [The Met Museum and New Frontiers in Wikidata Engagement](#)

- Much work with Wikimedia movement for a number of years. Wikimedia Commons, Wikipedia, now with Wikidata. Met outlined tools & workflows for artworks for every step of their process (preparation, reconciliation, recording, measuring, etc.)
 - Martin P.: slides from the MET museum session are a gold mine.
- [Wikidata Problems: Workshop on obstacles to faster Wikidata acceptance and how to overcome them](#)
 - Brainstorming session. Highlighted problems similar to ones point out in Affinity Group. Examples: differences between edits in WP & Wikidata. Notability policy--can change via language, cultural perspective, etc.
 - Other presentations: National Library of Sweden of Sweden & National Library of Wales: working with book works & editions in Wikidata. Also examples from Argentina & Brazil; will invite people working on those projects to talk about their work on future affinity group calls this fall
 - Next call 10 September 9am PDT / 12pm EDT / 16:00 UTC / 6pm CEST on references [Wikidata_References.pptx](#)